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- 1. EMBASSY NOT FAMILIAR WITH TOURIST INFRASTRUCTURE LOAN APPLICATION, IDB'S ONLY PROPOSED CY73 LOAN FOR TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. TOURISM PROGRAMS FOR TOBAGO HAVE BEEN TALKED ABOUT FOR YEARS, SOMETIMES IN TERMS OF REPLACING PRESENT INADEQUATE AIRPORT. SCARBOROUGH PARKWAY HAS UNCONVINCING RING TO IT; IMPROVEMENT OF TOBAGO'S SEWERAGE AT LEAST SOUNDS AS THOUGH IT MIGHT BE NEEDED.
- 2. THE LATE IDB REPRESENTATIVE HERE KNEW ABOUT ALL PROJECTS, AND TENDED TO EMPHASIZE ROAD BUILDING AND REAFFORESTATION PROJECTS, RATHER THAN TOBAGO, IN OUR LAST CONVERSATIONS WITH HIM. HIS ASSISTANT, TEMPORARILY IN CHARGE OF OFFICE, KNOWS NOTHING ABOUT TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO'S VARIOUS PENDING APPLICATIONS.
- 3. IF IN FACT GOTT PUSHES FOR TOBAGO TOURIST INFRASTRUCTURE LOAN THIS YEAR, WE WOULD COUNSEL CAUTION . BUT GOTT'S DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY IS SO HAPHAZARD THAT IDB MAY HAVE LISTED TOBAGO PROJECT MERELY TO BE ABLE TO SHOW SOMETHING IN T& T COLUMN, AND GOTT ITSELF MAY HAVE OTHER PRIORITIES.

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